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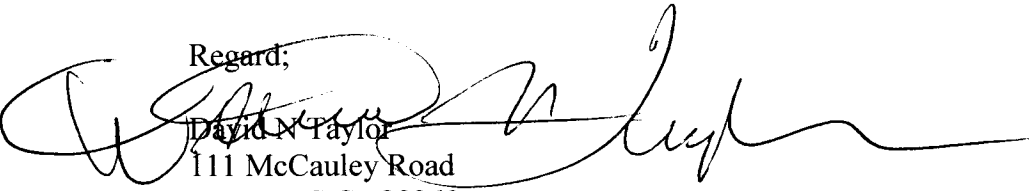
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Just received a notice of intent for rate increase from Duke Power. Duke Power just received an increase on their rates last year, or the year before. Now they are requesting another?

I strongly urge the Commission to deny this request by Duke Power for a rate increase. The citizens of South Carolina has just been hit with an increase in their health insurance premiums, and we cannot afford at this time another rate increase of any kind. Especially during these hard and very difficult economic times where our food, gas and clothing cost are continuing to rise, it seems every month.

I trust you will do the right thing for South Carolina Citizens and refuse their request for a rate increase on our monthly power bills. And I am sure that Duke Power can survive without this increase, more so than the citizens of S. C.

Respect;

  
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